



**BURKE COUNTY
BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS
REGULAR MEETING
COMMISSIONERS' MEETING ROOM
110 N. GREEN STREET, ENTRANCE E
[YOUTUBE: BURKECOUNTYNC](#)
MONDAY, JULY 20, 2026
6:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER

1. Appointment of Acting Chair (Rule 21) - Presented by Brian Epley, County Manager

2. INVOCATION

Pastor David Bridges, First Apostolic Church Morganton

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Burke County 8u Softball All Stars

4. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

5. APPROVAL OF MEETING MINUTES

1. BOC - Approval of Meeting Minutes - Presented by Randy Burns, Commissioner

6. PRESENTATIONS

1. EM - Recognition of Life Savers - Presented by James Robinson, Em. Services Director
2. BOC - Recognition of Robin Nicholson for her retirement from Duke Energy Corporation - Presented by Randy Burns, Commissioner
3. CM - Presentation on the Fall 2026 Citizens Academy - Presented by Brian Epley, County Manager
4. TA - Tax Revaluation Presentation - Presented by Travis Isaacs, Tax Administrator

7. SCHEDULED PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. CD- ZMA 2026-03,1458 US 70 W, Morganton, NC- Zoning Map Amendment & Public Hearing at 6:00 p.m. - Presented by Patrick Dickinson, Planner

8. INFORMAL PUBLIC COMMENTS

Each speaker is limited to three (3) minutes. To participate, please pre-register by emailing the Clerk prior to the meeting or sign-in with the Clerk at the meeting.

9. CONSENT AGENDA

Items on the consent agenda are noncontroversial and routine. Prior to the adoption of the meeting agenda, any request by a board member to remove an item from the consent agenda requires a majority vote of the board. All remaining consent agenda items shall be considered and adopted by a single motion.

10. ITEMS FOR DECISION

1. CD - Lease for Fonta Flora Access Area - Presented by Sarah Chabaane, Planner
 - Trails Specialist
2. OR - RFQ for PHM Building & Selection of an Architectural and Engineering Firm
 for the Burke County Facility-Based Crisis Center - Presented by Katie Samuels,
 Opioid Response Director
3. OR - Interlocal Agreement with Caldwell County for Regional Adult Treatment
 Court Coordination Services - Presented by Katie Samuels, Opioid Response
 Director
4. CM - Approval of Budget Amendment No. 1- \$20,000 - Presented by Brian Epley,
 County Manager
5. CM - Streaflow Rehabilitation Assistance Program (StRAP) Grant Acceptance and
 Approval of Budget Amendment No. 2- \$1,630,000 - Presented by Lea-Ann
 Branch, Soil and Water Director
6. Clerk - Reappointments to the Animal Services Board - Presented by Morgan
 Buchanan, Clerk to the Board
7. Clerk - Reappointments to the Juvenile Court Prevention Council (JCPC) -
 Presented by Morgan Buchanan, Clerk to the Board
8. Clerk - Reappointment to the Regional Aging Advisory Committee - Presented by
 Morgan Buchanan, Clerk to the Board
9. Tax - Tax Collection Report for Period Ending June 30, 2026 - Presented by
 Travis Isaacs, Tax Administrator
10. Tax - Tax Release and Refund Report for Period Ending June 30, 2026 -
 Presented by Travis Isaacs, Tax Administrator

11. REPORTS AND COMMENTS

1. DSS - Departmental Update for Period Ending June 30, 2026 - Presented by
 Korey Fisher-Wellman, DSS Director
2. BOC - Report & Comments - Presented by Randy Burns, Commissioner

12. VACANCY ANNOUNCEMENTS

1. Clerk - Boards & Committees Vacancy Report - Presented by Morgan Buchanan,
Clerk to the Board

13. CLOSED SESSION

1. BOC - Closed Session - Presented by Randy Burns, Commissioner

14. ADJOURN

In accordance with ADA regulations, persons in need of an accommodation to participate in the meeting should notify the County Manager's office at 828-764-9350 at least forty-eight (48) hours prior to the meeting.